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Applicant(s): Malmros et al. Atty. Docket No.: 111499.121  
Serial No. 09/306,662 Group Art Unit: 1642  
Filed: May 5, 1999 Examiner: S. Rawlings  
Entitled: Method of In Situ Diagnosis by Spectroscopic  
Analysis of Biological Stain Compositions

RECEIPT IS ACKNOWLEDGED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- ☒ Transmittal Letter
- ☒ Petition For Extension Of Time (2 Months)
- ☒ Response To Office Action Mailed December 18, 2002,  
Along With Appendices 1 and 2; and
- ☒ Return Postcard



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In re Application of: Malmros et al.

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For: Method of in situ diagnosis by spectroscopic analysis of biological stain compositions

### RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 18, 2002

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2002, please consider the following. Additionally, please provide any extensions of time which may be necessary, charge any additional fees which may be due, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0219, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

#### IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 and 10 and enter new claim 12 as outlined in Appendix 1. A copy of the amended claims showing the changes made is included herein as Appendix 1. A copy of the entire set of pending claims after entry of this amendment is provided herein as Appendix 2.

#### REMARKS

Entry of this response and reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested. After entry of the response, claims 1, 5 and 7-12 are pending. Claim 1 has been amended to clarify the disease state that the light spectrum is correlated to is dysplasia, pre-cancer or cancer. Support for such an amendment may be found